

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS AND STUDIES (CCUAS)**

January 13, 2021

9:00 a.m.

Location: Zoom meeting

Members Present: Darlene Chalmers, Stephen Cheng, Doug Cripps, James D'Arcy, Naomi Deren, David deMontigny, Fidji Gendron, Dorothy Lane, Robin Markel, Nader Mobed, Pamela Osmond Johnson, Wes Pearce, Joe Piwowar, Morina Rennie, Yaya Siggins, Glenys Sylvestre, Sean Whalley, Scott Wilson (Chair)

Guest: Arok Wolvengrey

Regrets: Alfred Adenuga, Karen Lehmann, André Magnan, David Meban, Katlyn Richardson, Glenys Sylvestre

Observers: Heather Antonini, Jordan Courtney, Barb Elich, Christine McBain, Sarah Stewart

Recorder: Coby Stephenson

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by S. Wilson, Chair.

1. Approval of the Agenda

S. Whalley – D. Cripps

MOVED Agenda as presented.

CARRIED

2. Approval of the Minutes

J. Piwowar – P. Osmond Johnson

MOVED that the minutes of the December 11, 2020 meeting be approved as distributed.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Minutes – None.

4. Reports from Faculties and other Academic Units

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4.1 FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE

D. deMontigny presented the report of behalf of the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

4.1.1 PETROLEUM SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (PSE) PROGRAM REVISION

D. deMontigny – N. Mobed

MOVED to update the PSE program template by moving CHEM 140 to Term 7 and GEOL 270 to Term 5 because GEOL 270 is now offered by Geology as a fall term course, **effective 202120**.

During discussion it was asked if the terms (seasons) listed in the template were in the correct order. Yes, because ENGG Co-op runs all year round; students who do not do Co-op, do Term 5, 7, 6 (in that order) with prerequisites set up to enable that progress.

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The remainder of the report was received as items for information.

4.2 REPORT FROM THE CENTRE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Centre for Continuing Education's Career & Professional Development Division in partnership with First Nations University of Canada submits the following motions for consideration:

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

4.2.1 CREATION OF THE CERTIFICATE IN INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE 1

R. Markel – F. Gendron

MOVED to establish the 15-credit hour Certificate in Indigenous Language 1 (CINL1) as outlined on page 5 of the Agenda, **effective 202120**.

A. Wolvengrey presented and addressed questions about the motion.

It was asked if the title could parallel with other certificates to include the Roman numeral I instead of the Arabic numeral. Yes. Current practice is to not have sub-designations (minor) for certificates. The preference would be to acknowledge the specific language. This would be noted on the transcript. Could a solution be to create a certificate for each Indigenous language such as Certificate in Cree Language? There are potentially 50-60 different languages so this would not be the best solution. Can we have a broader discussion at a later date regarding certificates with sub-designations? For now would it be ok to move this certificate forward without sub-designations? It was asked if ARTS 099 or CCE 099 should be included in this program template. Internal students may already have completed this requirement, but should be there for new students being admitted through CCE. There are concerns about prerequisite courses. Students who want to apply to this certificate should be made aware that they may need to complete extra courses. Would it be ok to ask Social Work about adding permission to take a minor? If that was the only purpose of these certificates that would be reasonable but we want to broaden the audience and grow our own programs so there is more potential. Opens to community members who are

not currently in a degree program at the U of R. Credential framework has not yet been approved. These certificates are aligned with what CCE currently offers.

Moved as amended:

Certificate in Indigenous Language I

Credit hours	Certificate in Indigenous Language I , required courses
*All language courses must be completed in the same language.	
0.0	ARTS 099 or CCE 099
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 100
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 101
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 202
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 203
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 206 OR LING 100 OR LING 230*
15.0	INLI Certificate – 65.00% GPA required
*Please note this course has a prerequisite outside of this program or requires the permission of the Program Coordinator.	

CARRIED

A full list of courses for this certificate was included as [Appendix A](#) in the Agenda.

The Registrar’s Program Questionnaire for this certificate was included as [Appendix B](#) in the Agenda.

4.2.2 CREATION OF THE CERTIFICATE IN INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE 2

R. Markel – F. Gendron

MOVED to establish the 30-credit hour Certificate in Indigenous Language 2 (CINL2) as presented on page 6 of the Agenda, **effective 202120**.

A. Wolvengrey presented and addressed questions about the motion.

During discussion it was pointed out that there are courses in the Certificate that have prerequisites that are not listed in template or in the admission requirements. This is a concern as it is not transparent for new students and community members. With each prerequisite – permission of Department Head would also be entertained. If we have students coming from outside the university system, we do not want to impede their language progress in the program. Can the program handle waiving prerequisites as this requires some manual work; for example, LING 230 requires 30 credit hours or permission; is there a prerequisite revision going forward for that course? Not at this time. Most of the students through FNUniv have close ties with staff at FNUniv. Is it enough to rely on those relationships? Could there be mandatory advising or something in the calendar that tells them about these prerequisites?

It is understood about prerequisites used in other programs where prerequisites are required; but what about manual overrides in order to give students the ability to register in the course; could students enrolled in this program be able to register in these courses without the prerequisites? The RO will look into it but does not think so, but the proposal of the note in the calendar would address the concerns brought forward.

We need to have a conversation regarding certificates and prerequisites, especially in certificates that are meant for new students. FNUiv does not have department heads; they have program coordinators.

The Motion was moved as amended in the following template to include the Roman numeral II, the addition of ARTS 099 or CCE 099, and a note that each of these courses: INDL XXX, INDG 222 LING 230 have prerequisites outside of the program or permission of the Program Coordinator and to remove the sub-designation.

Certificate in Indigenous Language II

Credit hours	Certificate in Indigenous Language II, required courses
*All language courses must be completed in the same language.	
0.0	ARTS 099 or CCE 099
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 100
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 101
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 202
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 203
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 206 OR LING 100
3.0	LING 230*
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 225 or 230
3.0	One of INDL 241* OR 242* OR a section of 240 AA-ZZ*
3.0	One course in the Culture and History of an Indigenous people (chosen from courses numbered INDG 208 through INDG 222 AA-ZZ)*
3.0	One additional approved LING or Indigenous Language elective**
30.0	INL2 Certificate - 65.00% GPA required
*Please note these courses have a prerequisite outside of this program or requires the permission of the Program Coordinator.	
**Approved electives: Indigenous Language courses (as available) LING 210, 211, 212, 213, 230, 280, 327, 360, 380, 485, 490	

CARRIED

The full list of courses included in the template was included as [Appendix A](#) in the Agenda.

The Registrar's Program Questionnaire for this certificate was included as [Appendix C](#) in the Agenda

4.2.3 CREATION OF CERTIFICATE IN INDIGENOUS LANGUAGE GUARDIANSHIP

R. Markel – F. Gendron

MOVED to create a Certificate in Indigenous Language Guardianship as indicated in the template on page 7 of the Agenda, **effective 202120**.

A. Wolvengrey presented and addressed questions about the motion.

During discussion concerns were voiced about prerequisites and would it was asked if students will have to go to the different areas, such as the Faculty of Education, to get permission to take courses. No, the Program Coordinator would work with the other program coordinators at First Nations University, as needed.

A revision of the prerequisites for LING 327 has been sent to the Faculty of Arts and will likely be submitted at the April CCUAS meeting. Revisions for other course prerequisites will come later.

Can a similar note, as in the templates in motions 4.2.1 and 4.2.2, be added to this template? Asterisk by the following courses in the template: INDL 240AA-ZZ, INDL 241, or 242, and LING 230, LING 327, and EINL 325.

Moved the Motion as amended:

Credit hours	Certificate in Indigenous Language Guardianship, required courses
*All language courses must be completed in the same language.	
0.0	ARTS 099 or CCE 099
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 100
3.0	One Indigenous Language course numbered 101
3.0	One of CREE 202, DAK 202, DENE 202, NAK 202, or SAUL 202 or INDL 202
3.0	One of CREE 203, DAK 203, DENE 203, NAK 203, or SAUL 203 or INDL 203
3.0	One of CREE 206, DAK 206, DENE 206, NAK 206, SAUL 206, INDL 206 or LING 100
3.0	One of CREE 225, DAK 225, DENE 225, NAK 225, SAUL 225
3.0	One course in Indigenous Literatures (INDL 240AA-ZZ*, INDL 241*, or INDL 242*)
3.0	LING 230*
3.0	LING 280
3.0	EINL 325* or LING 327*
30.0	Subtotal – 65.00% GPA required
*Please note each of these courses have a prerequisite outside of this program or requires the permission of the Program Coordinator.	

CARRIED

The Registrar's Program Questionnaire for this certificate was included in the Agenda as **Appendix D**.

5. **Adjournment** – J. D'Arcy moved to adjourn at 10:06 a.m.